

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

**Burbank et al.**

**Serial No.: Not yet assigned**

Filed: Submitted herewith

For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR  
PERFORMING BLOOD PROCESSING  
AND/OR FLUID EXCHANGE  
PROCEDURES

Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before the calculation of claim fees, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-97, 110-141, and 150-155, without prejudice.

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